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For: Inhibiting Apoptosis With Adenovirus  
RID Protein :  
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DECLARATION OF WILLIAM S. M. WOLD UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.132

I, WILLIAM S. M. WOLD declare and state as follows:

1. I am the inventor of the invention embodied in the instant patent application entitled "Inhibiting Apoptosis with Adenovirus RID Protein," Serial No. 09/111,911.

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2. I am one of the co-authors of the publication, Dimitrov et al., 1997, Adenovirus E3-10.4K/14.5K Protein Complex Inhibits Tumor Necrosis Factor-Induced Translocation of Cytosolic Phospholipase A2 to Membranes, *J. Virol.* 71:2830-2837. All of that work was done under my direction, and all aspects of the present invention reflected in that publication were conceived by me.

3. I am also one of the co-authors of the publication, Krajcsi et al., 1996, The Adenovirus E3-14.7K Protein and the E3-10.4K/14.5K Complex of Proteins, Which Independently Inhibit Tumor Necrosis Factor (TNF)-Induced Apoptosis, Also Independently Inhibit TNF-Induced Release of Arachidonic Acid, *J. Virol.* 70:4904-4913. All of that work was done under my direction, and all aspects of the present invention reflected in that publication were conceived by me.

4. I further declare that all statements herein made by my own knowledge are true and all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardized the validity of the above-identified application.

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